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Sir:

This is a request for filing a [ ] continuation [X] divisional application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) of:

Prior Application Serial No: 09/409,794 filed: September 30, 1999

of: David A. Beck

*(Inventor(s) currently of record in prior application)*

entitled: SEMIPERMEABLE MEMBRANE WITH INTERCOMMUNICATING  
PORES FOR PRESSING APPARATUS

*(Title of Invention)*

1. [ X ] Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the oath or declaration as originally filed.

2. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION, LESS ANY CLAIMS  
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4. [ X ] Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
--This is a divisional of application Serial No. 09/409,794 filed September 30, 1999.--

5. [ ] New informal drawings are enclosed.

6. [ X ] The prior application is assigned of record to Voith Sulzer Papiertechnik Patent GmbH.

7. [ ] A new combined declaration and power of attorney is enclosed.

8. [ X ] A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)

9. [ X ] I have reviewed the attached specification and drawings and have determined that no new matter is present therein over prior application Serial No. 09/409,794, filed on September 30, 1999.

10. [ X ] Incorporation by Reference: The entire disclosure of the parent application listed herein, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered to be part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

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11. [ X ] The Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication or during the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 20-0095, **TAYLOR & AUST, P.C.** A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.  
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12. [ ] Applicant(s) hereby request(s) that the above-captioned application NOT BE PUBLISHED under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.211. The undersigned hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

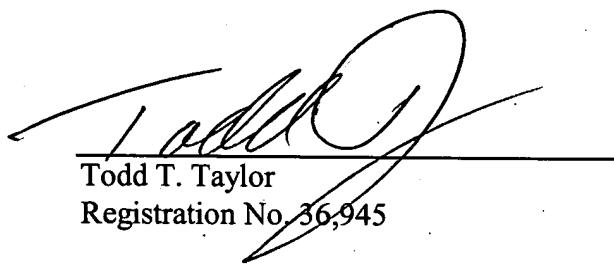
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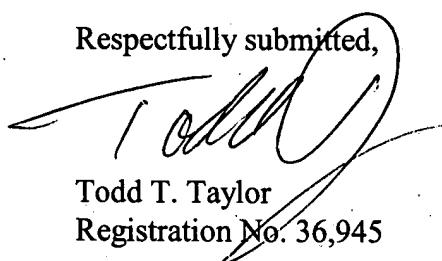
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Enclosed herewith are the formal drawings for the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,



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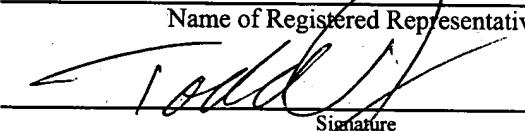
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APPLICANT: David A. Beck

TITLE OF INVENTION: SEMIPERMEABLE MEMBRANE WITH  
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Forwarded herewith is the above-identified application, consisting of the following:

Specification (26 Sheets)

Claims (3 Sheets)

Abstract

Drawings (6 Sheets)

Declaration X Executed    Unexecuted

Assignment    Yes X No

Information Disclosure Statement X Yes    No

Preliminary Amendment

Submission of Formal Drawings

Respectfully submitted,



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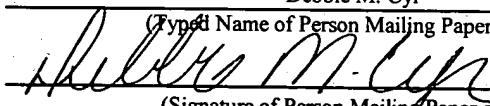
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